UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

JOHN W. MILLER,

Plaintiff,

vs.

APPLE INC., et al.,

Defendants.

Case No.: 25cv1172

PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO STRIKE DEFENDANT APPLE INC.'S IMPROPER FILINGS

NOW COMES Plaintiff, John W. Miller, and respectfully moves this Court to strike all filings submitted by Defendant Apple Inc. on or after March 18, 2025, including but not limited to:

- Apple Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss (Docket Entry #37)
- Apple Inc.'s Memorandum of Law in Support of Motion to Dismiss (Docket Entry #38)
- 3. Apple Inc.'s Rule 7.1 Corporate Disclosure Statement (Docket Entry #39)

GROUNDS FOR THIS MOTION

- 1. Apple Inc. Has Failed to File a Notice of Appearance
 - A party's attorney must file a formal Notice of Appearance before making substantive filings. The docket reflects no Notice of Appearance filed by Apple Inc.'s attorneys as of March 19, 2025.
 - As a result, all filings by Apple Inc. lack legal standing and must be stricken.
- 2. Apple Inc. Missed the March 18, 2025 Deadline to Respond
 - Defendant was required to file a response by March 18, 2025. Since no proper appearance or timely response was filed, Apple Inc. remains in default under FRCP Rule 55(a).
 - Any filings made after the default deadline should not be considered by the Court.
- 3. Apple Inc. Is Already in Default Under FRCP Rule 55(b)(1)

- The prior default judgment remains unchallenged, and Apple Inc. has no authority to participate in this proceeding under federal law.
- This Court must uphold the default and prevent Apple Inc. from improperly litigating a case where they have already defaulted.

4. Defendant Apple Inc. Is Barred From Participation Due to Prior Judicial Orders

- Magistrate Judge Paige J. Gossett previously ordered that Apple Inc. was excused from all litigation and negotiation with Plaintiff in the South Carolina proceedings.
- Apple Inc. cannot now voluntarily re-enter litigation while still bound by this prior order.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Court **STRIKE** all improper filings submitted by Defendant Apple Inc. and uphold its **default status** under FRCP Rule 55.

RELIEF REQUESTED

Plaintiff respectfully requests the following relief:

- An Order striking all filings submitted by Apple Inc. after March 18, 2025.
- An Order confirming Apple Inc.'s default under FRCP Rule 55(a) and preventing further participation in this case.
- Any other relief the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: March 19, 2025 Respectfully submitted,

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